

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please add the following new heading before paragraph [0002]:

BACKGROUND

Please add the following new heading before paragraph [0004]:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Please replace paragraph [0004] with the following amended paragraph:

[0004] ~~The~~ An object of the present invention is ~~therefore~~ to provide an AS alloy which is thermally stable regarding creep and ductility, while being satisfactorily castable.

Please replace paragraph [0005] with the following amended paragraph:

[0005] ~~This object is achieved according to the~~ The present invention by provides an AS die casting alloy ~~of the type recited in the preamble by the fact that its~~ having an aluminum content is between the aluminum content of AS21 and AS41 alloys. In addition, the present invention provides a water quenched magnesium/aluminum die casting alloy, Al between 2.8 and 3% by weight; Si between 0.7, and 1.5 % by weight; Mn greater than 0.20 % by weight; Zn less than 0.20 % by weight; Cu less than 100 ppm; Ni less than 20 ppm; and Fe less than 50 ppm.

Please replace paragraph [0012] with the following amended paragraph:

[0012] The present invention further provides ~~above object is furthermore achieved in a method for manufacturing a thermally stressable component made of the AS die casting alloy recited in the preamble by water quenching after casting or after the casting mold is opened.~~

Please add the following new heading before paragraph [0013]:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

**In the Abstract**

Please delete the Abstract as presented in the underlying International Application No. PCT/EP2003/006727 and replace it with the following new Abstract: